



City of Seattle



King County



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Dear Citizen,

These are exciting times for the Northgate neighborhood! We have unprecedented opportunities to create an inviting and attractive urban center, complete with transit, public facilities and new mixed-use development. We are pleased to announce that the City of Seattle, King County and Sound Transit are joining in a coordinated public process to discuss these development opportunities with you and your neighbors.

This fall we will host a design workshop to build on work that was started by citizens in the Northgate Neighborhood Plan and Northgate Town Center Visioning Charrette. We'll bring together Northgate residents and businesses, local government and transit agency staff, and planning/design professionals to develop concepts that will shape public and private investments near the proposed light rail station site. Some of the specific issues we want to hear from you about include the proposed community center and branch library, the light rail station and related developments, benefits for Thornton Creek watershed, pedestrian and bicycle features, urban art and open space. We can fit these pieces together so that the resulting urban center is "bigger than the sum of its parts".

You will be hearing more about this collaboration. Together we will set the stage for major public and private investments in an important part of our city. For more information, please watch for the upcoming workshop or call Deirdre Grace, Seattle Department of Neighborhoods, at (206) 684-8896 or e-mail her at deirdre.grace@ci.seattle.wa.us.

Sincerely,

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Paul Schell
Mayor of Seattle

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Ron Sims
King County Executive

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Dave Earling
Chair, Sound Transit
Board of Directors